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REMARKS

The indication of allowability subject to the correction of certain formal matters is gratefully acknowledged. Applicant's attorney has some problem in making certain corrections as requested by the Examiner. Specifically apparently due to the electronic filing system there are some minor differences between the format of the Examiner's copy and applicant's attorney's copy. The error noted by the Examiner in Paragraph [0039] does not appear in the undersigned's copy. Therefore he can not correct it and the Examiner is requested to make the correction at his end for this reason.

The other corrections have been made in the specification. As to the correct reference numeral for the ring shaped base portion it has been corrected in the specification to conform to the drawings.

Turning now to the Examiner's objection to claim 3, he is most respectfully requested to reconsider his position. FIG. 8 shows the recess, identified by the reference numeral 41 tapering inwardly from its radial inner edge toward the circumferential center as described in paragraph [0044] and as marked on the attached copy of this figure. If the Examiner does not agree, he is solicited to call the undersigned at the number below to resolve this issue.

In view of the foregoing favorable reconsideration is requested.

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